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Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Letter in Support for Request for Expedited Treatment

WC Docket Nos. 08-33 and 08-185

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I, William Sleeper, serve as the County Administrator for the Pittsylvania County Administrator in Virginia. The Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors unanimously resolved that the County has the right to select its 911 service provider and is requesting that the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") promptly resolve the above-captioned arbitration proceedings so that Pittsylvania County may immediately obtain and receive the benefits associated with Intrado Communications Inc.'s competitive 911 services. The enclosed Resolution was unanimously approved on Monday, October 5, 2009 at the regular meeting of the Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors.

Pittsylvania County is working with its selected provider, Intrado Communication Inc.,to install and deploy Next Generation 911 "end to end" call delivery services. This technology should be available for all PSAPs in the United States so that <u>all</u> telephony customers have access to the same capabilities when dialing 911. As you are aware, the importance of having a caller's exact location when dialing 911 is paramount to the successful delivery of the requested emergency services in a timely fashion.

Furthermore, having the latest technological advances in 911 services accessible for all citizens, regardless of their choice of telephone service provider, should be a primary concern and focus of all levels of government. The technology should be seamless, transparent and not cause delay in receiving the caller's voice and location of the emergency.

In closing, Pittsylvania County looks forward to being able to receive any and all calls for emergency assistance whether it is voice or text to 911. Please consider this resolution as we stand with Intrado Communications Inc. and the other Virginia Counties as listed in the *Request for Expedited Treatment*, filed in WC Docket Nos. 08-33 and 08-185 on September 30, 2009.

Very truly yours,

William D. Sleeper

County Administrator

Cc: Honorable Mark Warner, US Senator for Virginia

Honorable Jim Webb, US Senator for Virginia

Honorable Tom Perriello, US House of Representatives, 5th District